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Applicant

: Piers Christian Lingle, et al.

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Title

: POSTAL SYSTEM INTRANET AND COMMERCE PROCESSING FOR

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Grp./Div.

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Examiner

: Calvin L. Hewitt II

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: 40623/S850

NOTIFICATION OF STATUS CHANGE FROM A LARGE ENTITY TO A SMALL ENTITY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Commissioner:

This is a notification that the assignee has now changed its status from a large entity to a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Reasons for allowance are only warranted in instances in which "the record of the prosecution as a whole does not make clear his or her reasons for allowing a claim or claims." (37 CFR § 1.104(e))

Applicant believes the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance are unnecessary. applicant does not necessarily agree with each statement in the reasons for allowance. While applicant agrees that the claims are allowable, applicant does not acquiesce with each statement in the reasons for allowance, that patentability requires each stated feature exactly as expressed by the Examiner, nor that each stated feature is required for patentability.

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